#### The Christmas Spirit

Christman is almost here and there are several things we can do before it arrives—a week from next

There are many poor people in El Paso who will have no Christmas-not even enough to eat-unless others more blessed with good fortune, assist them

There is an opportunity for everybody to do someone a good turn and Christman will be all the happier for it, for those who give know the Bible is right in the declaration. That the property is the state of the st declaration that "it is more blessed to give than to

You can help The Herald's fund to buy sweaters and build a play place for the little boys and girls in the rescue home—all Americaus, 24 of them, and unable to get these things unless someone with a kind heart

You can help the Elks' fund, to give toys to the children who are toyless and to buy bankets of food for American families in need of it. Last year over 200 such baskets were distributed and every one went into a home where no such cheer would have been taken

except for the good work of the Elks. You can help the Salvation army, which reaches another class of poor-which will feed the homeless men on Christmas day and distribute fuel and clothing to families who need it.

You can help the Woman's club to cheer the pennilcas old people in the county hospital. They are going to to have a Christmas tree for these inmates. Articles of clothing, things suitable for sick folk to est and reading material will all be thankfully received and will help to make somebody happier on Christmas day-sumebody who has but a few more Christmas days left in this

You can help the Sunshine society, which conducts a day nursery and has a lot of little charges on its

You can help the Associated Charities, which are

handling the big general charity problem of the city. You can help individuals—you must know some that need it—and provide them with some of the things

they haven't got and won't have unless you give.
You can send flowers or fruits to the hospitals, where they will find a welcome from the shut-ins. Hotel Dicu in particular, conducts a charity ward where there are many who have few if any friends, where flowers and fruits on Christmas day would cause many

You can do your shopping and mail your packages early and take a load off the shoulders of the men and women who, if you wait until the last minute, will suffer as a result of your own dilatoriness.

There are so many, many ways in which you can lighten the burdens of others and carry cheer and good will during this happy, holiday season. El Paso is generally blessed with prosperity and those who are properous should share it in a small measure with those who are so unfortunate as not to have a part in that

Just a little from those who can afford it will be sufficient to make an equitable distribution of Christmas joy all around.

Having successfully completed the "swing around the circle" in Sonora, Pancho Villa is back home.

Regarding Henry Ford's peace excursion, Billy Sunday says Mr. Ford has the late P. T. Barnum skinned 5280 icet when it comes to advertising. But then Billy Sunday may just be jealous. He isn't getting the first page with his previous regularity.

The German consul-general at San Francisco declares he is disgusted with the United States and will be glad to leave. Incidentally his name has been linked with bomb plots during federal investigations of the past few months. The consul-general will find the doers wide open any time he cares to leave. Such a remarkable statement by a semi-diplomatic agent is also very likely to cause him to be gently pushed through the

#### The Illegitimate Saloon

Congratulations are in order to the controler's department of the state for its action in closing some of the saloons in El Paso. This is particularly true of the road houses, but it is not to our credit that an officer of the state had to come here to close them.

The law violations in most of the road houses are known to all the peace officers whose aworn duty is to enforce the law. For years the road houses have been sources of annoyance and grand stries have frequently called attention to their violations of the law. They are dangerous to the community and there is ne necessity for them.

People can do without a drink between El Paso and Ysleta. Even the thirstiest of the thirsty could wait. As a matter of fact, very few patronize road houses for drinks anyhow. Road houses serve the purposes of men trapping their game. They are obscure, in a way, and they sell drinks and have "private rooms," the greatest curse that goes hand in hand with

The saloons in the city that have had their licenses taken away are mostly of the type that any community would be better off without. There are many small saloons about El Paso that serve a similar purpose in the city to that which the road house serves in the cauntry. These should be closed. The Herald knows nothing of the particular places that have lost their licenses, but it knows, by reputation, and from police intelligence, that there are scores of "saloons" in El Paso, in the lower part of the city, that are not saloons at all; they are many times worse and masquerade their real business under the name saloon.

It is such places as these that hurt the liquor business more than all the "legitimate" saloons, that obey the law and do business up town. There are a lot of "clubs" in El Paso, too, that should come under the han. So long as a saloon is operated as a saloon and obeys the law, the danger from it is reduced, but the place that manquerades as a saloon or a club and is operated for other purposes, hurts the city, endangers its people, and is the worst black eye the "legitimate liquor business" ever received.

Recently the retail saloon keepers boasted that they were organized to enforce the law and help to hunt down the law violators. Every saloon man in El Paso knows many violations have been taking place. Unless they have been at the bottom of the recent activity of the controler's office, they have failed to "make good."

If they furnished the information on which the controler acted, they deserve credit for it.

A typographically incorrect headline says: "Senators line up for bottle." On second thought, perhaps it was an inspiration and not an error.

The British censor has eliminated the details of the discovery of a comet. Presumably these must be kept secret in order not to benefit the enemy.

Why not train women for self-defence? axis a magazine writer. This question is respectfully referred to any married man for a speedy answer.

Nurserymen say plums and cherries may be scarce as a result of the war. Maybe so, but the great American peach crop will probably be up to its usual stand-

The European monarchies do not like us very much-either our republican institutions or our facility for attracting thousands of their best subjects. But they do respect our money power enormously, and some day some of them may try to take our country from us. Preparedness is the only preventive.

Though everything he says about German supremacy in the war seems true, the German imperial chancelor can hardly expect the entente powers to sue for peace at this time. He has reckoned without the stubbornness of John Bull, for one thing, and the fiery determina-tion of France, for another. Gen. Joffre says peace talk

#### Short Snatches From Everywhere.

Henry Ford might have tried out his experiments first by going to Mexico .- Detroit Free Press.

A good number of the lesser postmasters seem to be Republicans by faith and Democrats by profession.

New York Prest.

Somebody's been deceived about the fighting qualities of Balkan warriors by the sampl's presented by our leading comic operas.—Houston Post.

"Men more than 60 are either feelish or irritable," says Mr. Rockefeller's adviser on quitting his job. But just whom is he referring to?—Cleveland Leader. And it may be that Villa has merely run away st that he will be able to fight another day. That has ever been a rule smong Mexico's military men-

Topeka (Kas.) Journal.

Just as a straw showing that the prosperity is unanimous, reports come from San Angelo that the cour banks of that city have larger deposits than ever before in their history.—Beaumont Enterprise.

General Villa says he is not afraid to fight the entire United States army. He must have been reading some of these numerous magazine articles regarding our unpreparedness—Nashville Southern Lumberman.

It is suggested that Villa cross the Rio Grande and enter the lecture field. It's our opinion, if he harbors may such ambition, that it would save cancellation of dates to go out of Mexico by the Vera Cruz route.—

Andrew Curnegie alleges that millionsires who hough are rare. He believes that poverty is a good thing for the human race inspiring the poor to noble striving and the rich to considerate helping.—Temple (Texas) Telegram.

Congressman Gardner says of Wilson: "He lined up his whole outfit last year against the preparedness movement. Most men do not obey a right-about-face order with alacrity." They do if they are soldiers.— Wall Street Journal.

wall Street Journal. Premier Okuma asserts that Japan couldn't send a large armed force to Europe if it would, because of its lack of adequate means of transport. But why shouldn't Japan bring out of its hiding places the fleet of transports that has been waiting to land a quarter of million men on our Pacific coast?—Springfield Republican.

# Husband Is Stern Reality With Married Women Is a Dream of Maidens and Hope of Spinsters

ens, the hope of spinsters and a stern reality with married

stern reality with married women. A husband is about one-eighth of a married couple. Being a husband is a serious business with most men and it requires most of their time and all of their money to make good on the job. Men become husbands at the age of 21 or theresbouts and continue during life or good behavior.

Being a husband is a great privilege and mose men make several frantic efforts to go into husbandary during their party youth pefore thet finally succeed. To become a husband or a must acquire the unantimous consent of some girl. This requires from ten minutes to ten years according to the amount of sense possessed by the girl. Some girls will spend four days picking out a wedding dress. But girls of this sort are very apt to make several selections of husbands before finding a perfect fit.

The duties of a husband are to come home on time for meals, to pay the bills, to exterminate burgiars at night, to go to parties and remain happily around until called for, to hook up dresses beneath his breath, to eat the tough end of the beefsteak at dimner, to go back to the house after handker-chiefs and gloves, to admire the laws misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery, to make his last year's overcost do a few years misdemeanors in millinery to one received last year and to enjoy conversation served hot or cold at all hours. There are no perfect husbands



Bedtime Story For the Little Ones "Uncle Wiggily and the Good Fox."

THERE sounded a knock on the door of the hollow stump bungalow in which lived lincle Wignary Longears, the subbit gentleman, and Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy, the muskrat lady housekeeper. "Flat-atut-tat" some one knocked. wonder who that can be," spoke

By HOWARD B. GARIS.

Miss Furry Wurry, who was making a pie, while Uncle Wiggily was helping her by doing the dusting in the parlor. "I'll go see," offered Mr. Longears, putting his dusting rag on top of the piano so he would not forget where it was.

Miss Furny Wump, who was making a pic, while Uncle Wiggilly was helping her by doing the dusting in the parlor. Till go see, offered Mr. Longears, the plano so he would not forget where it was.

When the rabbit gentleman opened the hungalow door there stood Mr. Biggill. The good fox, who used to be had said to see good for the wing the fox. The good fox who used to be had said to see good in the wingsily.

"I am very well," answered the funity was yet to go you door laked the fox. There you are feeling line yourself. Mr. Bigtail. "Or anked the fox." The came to see if you could not come out." went on Mr. Bigtail. "Grandfather Goosey Gander sent me over to get you. He wasts you and being he would not get his feet wet. There is no see if you could not stay in today to help Nurse Jane with the dusting a lawry do that one or to go you see I can't go until 1 get you go week, as she has go much to stay in today to help Nurse Jane with the dusting three your wasts us to come as soon as we can, the good fax said. "Hat. I'll tell yed you go week, as she has go much to stay in today to help Nurse Jane with the dusting wast." The good fax said. "Hat. I'll tell yed you go week, as she has go much to stay in today to help Nurse Jane with the dusting wast. The good fax said. "Hat. I'll tell yed you want us to come as soon as we can, the good fax said. "Hat. I'll tell yed you want to come and with the flusty tail of the found of the come of the plano and with the flusty tail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the come of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the work of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of the plano and with the flusty trail of the found of t

bands at a cost of from \$1.000,000 to \$10.000.000 apiece. They are showy goods and will wash, but many of them are returned because of other defects, flusbands who are treated kindly and are not fed aoggy biscuits or conversa-tion will frequently last a lifetime. Fresh husbands are undestrable, but not as much so as those who are spickled in alcohol.—Protected by The Adams Newspaper Service.

The Daily Novelette A TALE OF THE RED MAN.

Oh, in the wild and wooly Weat, Ec-oy-ec-Whee-ec! That's the country I like best, Ec-oy-ec-Whee-ec!

THE great detective looked out of the window.

the window.

"I have him: There goes ladian Red, the notorious Indian bandit! All dressed up in a workman's clothes!"

Washing and erashing through the doorway, he jumped into his Cantaford 1960 200 H. P. car and in less than a fraction of a second threw open his cost, showed his hadge and had Indian Red beside him on the brown graniteskin seat. They sped along a mile a second in the direction of the staffon house.

The great detective took his catch to the chief of police and claimed his just reward. Thus spoke he. "I have indian Red acre. Wanted for horse stealing on the high seas. Give me the money in twenty-five's—seventies and nineties. Quick, please. I'm in a hurry?"

and nineties. Carea, steady the harry?"

"Whatcha talkin about—Indian Red—I min't no red Indian," spoke up Indian Red. "I works in a red paint factory, I does, an' dis tint on me face is cultiwated, see."

And, with that, the great detective did see 'red' stars.

He boasted it was Mars, but we know better.

Don't we?

Th' ole time beau who used t' set pa-tiently thro' a few verses o' "In th' Gloamin'." now has a son who has t' squirm an' yawn thro' a stack o' phonergraf records as high as th' ceilin'. Some women don't only make good wives but purty fair fathers, too.

#### Our Responsibility

BY AL. O. VSIES.

## ABE MARTIN Adversity Is a Great Educational Great War Will Soften Heart of All Europe A DVERSITY is one of the greatof the boys at making second and potent than when the person is delibthird on a pitched ball. world," said the Rev. Miles

A DYERSITY is one of the greatest call the control of the control of a recent issue in which it was pointed out that a man feels differently towards things after be based through an ilbrees. That is only too true. Adversity makes us all feel the sufferings of others, for we hearn the true slepths of hardship by actual experience which we had no conception of before. In Europe there will be a vast difference when this Strait war is over, for the Europe an institution will he advanced far beyond to here in the here to wards their understandings, and the generous impostes which will actuate them towards their understanding and the control of the form in boutses which will actuate them towards their understanding. And the generous impostes which will actuate them towards their unfortunate bestaren. The letters I cell from my old home the limited outlook is that this street will be a trait of the foot the foot of the foot

Mr. Bryan stated that the mation is bound by the same moral laws that bind the individual.

If Mr. Bryan be seated comfortably on his own playan, peacefully reading the history of the passion of Christ, and perchance glance over his Bible, across the street into another man's yard, and there see the owner outraging a woman or murdering a priest, what is Mr. Bryan morally obliged to do under the laws of God?

If Mr. Bryan he the United States: if the owner and his yard be Mexico; if the poor woman or priest be the unfortunate victim of Villists or Carrancists lust, what is the Enited States morally obliged to do before the Blessed God?

ing the details of the purchase of the site having been arranged, and I, for one, am in hopes that the new building will not be of the monumental type."

The opportunity to view Allen True's pulntings should not be missed by any El Pasoan," and Fred J. Feldman. "El Pasoan," and Fred J. Feldman. "El Pasoan," and Fred J. Feldman. "El Paso has very few opportunities to see so large an exhibit of original paintings as the sity is so far from the big art centers. The work of the Woman's club in bringing this exhibit here is a good step in the right direction. The public taste in pictures and music siways needs to be trained to a higher standard and, as musical taste is always heised by the hearing of standard music, well rendered, so the appreciation of good pictures is increased by every good painting viewed."

increased by every good painting viewed.

"Every man is some hoy's here, so every women is some girl's model."

The Fraternal union has elected the following officers J. L. Klink, fraternal disso Gail Lane. "People do not always realize the tremendous influence that they unconsciously exert over other people. The unconsciousness of it is perhaps one of the strongest features of the influence for it is more than they are the strongest features of the influence for it is more.

Conditions are fine in the upper ralley, said M. C. Offers of Lag Cruces. The appearance of more prospectively liey farmers and had buyers in Lag Cruces at this time than during the last 12 months previous shows what we have to offer for real agriculturists under the irrigation project. The men are the right sort and of a most promising aspect, bringing in large numbers of heavy draft horses first class cows for stocking purposes and dairying, and uptodate farming machinery. Watch us in the next few months. Las Cruces is beginning to come into its own."

14 YEARS Ago Today
From The Herald of This Date, 1901.

At the annual election meeting of the fire department last night it was unanimously voted to pledge itself to the service of the best interests of the city and to extend thanks to the city council for its ready assistance in the undertakings of the local firemen. Haremony was the key note of the session and the spirit of cooperation pervaded the assembly.

W. R. Grayson went to Lordsburg this morning. C. W. Kindrick has returned from St. Louis, after a three weeks' visit.

Alex Jenke and W. A. McCarthy have been elected members of the fire department.

Dr. M. P. Schuster arrived today from his eastern trip and will commence

### The Value of Friendship By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

JUST what is your idea and ideal of friendship?

What according to your mind are its responsibilities and obligations.

Friendship is a word we all use frequently and lightly, but how many of us live up to the requirements of that word? Perhaps you have a friend of whose regard you have no question and who is equally certain of your own loyalty and affection. You are separated by miles, and you no not often meet.

It would like to feel that at times you were impelled by pure affection and interest in his welfare, a letter which contained neither request of nor thanks for favors.

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You have think of this friend without a pleasant sensation and a happy consciousness that such a being exist, but do you let months and even years to you be the proper of the feeling.

Bo you think your friend is so sure of you that no memage is necessary? If so, there is a flaw in rour armor of friendship, Have you a friend who is so close to you and whose generous confidence and good will are so great that your would not healtate to call upon him for any favor?

Lyou have such a friend you are to be congratulated, but do you only write to that friend or make yourself felt in his life at times when you need a favor done?

If so, however deep is your appreciation and however trong is your graitfied, and however deep is your appreciation and however trong is your grain their your get and you feel that your friend is perfectly satisfied with the affection you bestow upon him. Even though he heart that you speak of him in the highest terms to others, even

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# so hard that he forgot all about instances. "You have cheered me up wender tails," the goose gentleman said. "But if Mr. Signall, the good fox lips not belied me finish the dusting for Nurse Jane," spoke Uncle Wiggilly. "I never could have come so soon." "We are both thankful to the fox." "We are both thankful to the fox." Some when a favor." WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



#### Out of the Wreck

BUILT me a handsome shack, and painted it out and in, the color scheme green and black; 'twas roofed with the best of tin. My heart swelled with honest pride; my cottage was smooth and fine; I laughed as I stood beside my figtree and pumpkin vine. Then came a tornado wild, and juggled that house around, and on me its fragments piled, and flattened me to the ground. I crawled from the ruins then, my hair full of glass and tin, and sprung, in the view of men, my patented duplex grin. I said to the scowling skies, "You've taken a fall from me, but out of the wreck I rise—I'm still in the ring, you see." While others indulged in screams, and wept in the cyclone's track, I gathered my joints and beams, and built me another shack. While others de-plored their loss, and put up a line of wails, I searched for my household joss, and gathered my rusty nails. Again by my figtree tall, again by my pumpkin vine, I look from my cottage wall, and the prospect's strictly fine. No man on the dump heap lies, who says, when misfortunes frown. "Oh, out of the wreck I fise—there's nothing can hold me down!"

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WALT MASON.